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DR. FATE... ALONE AGAINST CHAOS IN HIS OWN DELUXE MINI-SERIES, AT LAST!

THE NEW DR. FATE

For over 40 years, archaeologist Kent Nelson has proudly worn the mantle of **DR. FATE** — master of the magical arts, one of the Lords of Order battling to keep the forces of evil and darkness from overrunning the universe!

And now Kent Nelson is tired, and he feels the years catching up with him.

The burden of his great powers and responsibilities has drained the fight from him, making him yearn for the day when he will no longer need answer the clarion call to combat. He would gladly renounce **DR. FATE'S** magic for peace and serenity ... even the quiet of the grave seems far more appealing than his continued enslavement to the heroic life he never asked for!

And even as Kent Nelson looks towards the end of his mystical career as **DR. FATE**, the forces of evil, the dark Lords of Chaos, anticipate the end of *all* things as the cosmos prepares to enter its preordained time of darkness! Without the power of a **DR. FATE** to protect it, the Earth and the rest of the universe will surely die.

A new **DR. FATE** is needed to don the mystical helmet of power if all that exists is to survive.

Who will it be?

Join writer J.M. DeMatteis, penciller Keith Giffen, and inker Dave Hunt in this stark exploration of the supernatural and the never-ending struggle between darkness and light, and learn the startling answers in the four-issue **DR. FATE** mini-series. An entire new world will open up for the man who is destined to don the golden helmet of Fate ... and you're invited along on the breathtaking journey!

The **DR. FATE** mini-series—without him, the world may not continue to experience the magic of life itself!



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July Listings

On Sale April 2

Green Arrow Poster—Green Arrow is on his way back, and next month you'll read the first chapter in his amazing new Prestige Format mini-series (that's the same format as *The Dark Knight* and *The History of the DC Universe*)... but just to whet your appetite for the story to come, we're celebrating the event this month with a large-sized, full-color painted poster by Green Arrow writer/artist Mike Grell. It's just a hint of the arrow-slinging action to come, and a must for any true fan of the Emerald Archer or the art of Mike Grell!

Firestorm #61—It's been a long time since Firestorm last ran into the fury of the elemental villain called Typhoon. Now Typhoon has returned and he's looking to destroy Firestorm... and if the city of Pittsburgh falls in the process, Typhoon wouldn't mind in the least! Written by John Ostrander, pencilled by Joe Brozowski, and inked by Dennis Janke, with a cover by Brozowski.

Flash #2—You figure if you were the latest winner in a million-dollar lottery, it would take a lot to ruin your day. Wally West thought that too... until the immortal villainy of Vandal Savage returns not only to ruin the happy event, but to kill his alter ego, Flash. Story by Mike Baron, with art and the cover by Jackson Guice and Larry Mahlstedt.

The Justice League #3—Global nuclear destruction is but hours away unless the Justice League can get into the Soviet Union and convince both the Russian leadership and the U.S.S.R.'s own team of heroes, the Rocket Red Brigade, to call off the missiles! **Also:** meet the latest member of the group... Booster Gold! (Now let's hope the world doesn't end before he can help in his first mission...) Plot by Keith Giffen, script by J.M. DeMatteis, with art by Kevin Maguire and Al Gordon. Cover by Maguire and Gordon.

The Outsiders #21—Kobra is back, and the Outsiders are in trouble! You may never have seen the team of super-villains he sends out against the Outsiders, but you won't be able to shake the feeling that you have. Neither will the Outsiders... for as long as they survive! Written by Mike W. Barr, with art and cover by Jim Aparo. *Deluxe format.*

Wonder Woman #6—This is where it's all been headed... the ultimate battle between Diana and Ares, the evil god of war! The odds against the Amazon Princess are high, but so are the stakes... the fates of both the gods and mankind! Plotted by George Pérez, scripted by Len Wein, pencilled by Pérez, and inked by Bruce Patterson. Cover by Pérez.

Tales of the Teen Titans #79—Personal conflicts seem to have broken up the new Titans, but that doesn't mean the menaces they fight have also given up the ghost, so Wonder Girl reactivates the original Teen Titans to fill the void. The problem now: which one of *them* is the father of Cheshire's child? Written by Marv Wolfman, pencilled by Eduardo Barreto, and inked by Romeo Tanghal. Cover by Kevin Maguire and Terry Austin. *Originally presented in New Teen Titans #20.*

Vigilante #43—Peacemaker has returned and Washington, D.C., will never be the same again... and neither will Vigilante and his comrades if the murderous madman succeeds in his self-appointed crusade against terrorism! Story by Paul Kupperberg, with art by Tod Smith and Rick Burchett. Cover by Smith. *Deluxe format.*

On Sale April 7

Batman #409—School's in session. The Crime School, that is, and it's beginning to look as though the Batman is going to be the day's lesson... in death! The Caped Crusader needs help in the worst way and the likeliest candidate to give it is Jason Todd. Written by Max Allan Collins, pencilled by Ross Andru. Cover by Andru.

Blue Beetle #14—The Blue Beetle's life as a crimefighter began on the mysterious shores of Pago Island and now, just when he thinks he's gotten the hang of the super-hero life, the past comes back to haunt him. Written by Len Wein, pencilled by Paris Cullins, and inked by Dell Barras. Cover by Cullins and Bruce Patterson.

Electric Warrior #15—While the haunting secret of Draxon's lost love is revealed, the space around Earth is the scene of a deadly battle... and the long-feared invaders finally arrive! Story by Doug Moench, with art by Jim Baikie and Dan Adkins. Cover by Pat Broderick. *Deluxe format.*

Watchmen #11 maxi-series—Comics' most talked-about maxi-series races towards what promises to be an astonishing conclusion in this, the penultimate issue! Revealed at last is the origin of Ozymandias a.k.a. Adrian Veidt! Written by Alan Moore, with art and cover by Dave Gibbons. *Deluxe format.*

Young All-Stars #2—The world never needed its heroes as much as it did during the dark days of the second World War! The new heroes of the Young All-Stars arise and gather together to face the deadly challenge of Axis Amerika when they threaten the nation in this story by Roy and Dann Thomas, with art by Brian Murray and Malcolm Jones. Cover by Murray. *New format.*

Legion of Super-Heroes #36—The Universo Project is over at last, and the Legionnaires attempt to bask in an aftermath of peace, quiet... and impending doom! Also, the results of the latest election is revealed and a new leader is chosen! Written by Paul Levitz, pencilled by Greg LaRocque, and inked by Mike DeCarlo. Cover by John Byrne and Jerry Ordway. *Deluxe format.*

Outsiders Special #1—The story begins here, in Part One of the Outsiders/Infinity, Inc. special crossover tale as the two super-teams meet for the first time to combat the combined evil of the reborn Baron Bedlam and the Force of July! And once you get started, you won't want to miss the stunning conclusion in the pages of *Infinity, Inc. Special #1*, later this month. Story by Mike W. Barr, pencilled by Chuck Patton, and inked by Bob Smith, with a cover by Eduardo Barreto.

Secret Origins #16—It's three times the action and excitement as we proudly present three special origins: Deep beneath the Earth's surface in the land called Skartaris, he's known as The Warlord, but once he was Travis Morgan, U.S.A.F. pilot! Find out how he came to be the hero of the hidden world in this story by Michael Fleisher, with art by Adam Kubert. And, revealed at last... the secret origin of none other than the astonishing 'Mazing Man, scripted by Bob Rozakis, pencilled by Stephen DeStefano, and inked by Karl Kesel. **Plus,** from the Golden Age, it's the origin of Hourman, by Roy Thomas, with art by Mike Bair and Mike Gustovich. The cover is by DeStefano and Dick Giordano.

Star Trek #40—Harry Mudd's done it to Kirk and the *Enterprise* once again, and if the Fleet's most intrepid crew is to survive, it will be because Kirk can convince an alien entity to grant everyone their wishes and then allow them to go free. Good luck to *that* Captain...! Written by Len Wein, pencilled by Tom Sutton, and inked by Ricardo Villagran. Cover by Ron Frenz and Dick Giordano.

Superman #7—Every man has his own idea of his dream girl, even a Superman. But could the Man of Steel's be someone like Rampage?? Once you meet her, you'll have your doubts about her as well! Written and pencilled by John Byrne, with inks by Karl Kesel. Cover by Byrne.

On Sale April 14

The New Teen Titans #33—The clock is ticking on the fate of New York City, held hostage by a gang of terrorists. The Titans are the city's only chance of surviving into tomorrow, and as things stand, the Big Apple's future doesn't look all that good...! Scripted by guest-writer Paul Levitz, pencilled by Erik Larsen, and inked by Romeo Tanghal. Cover by Orlando. *Deluxe format.*

Booster Gold #18—Everybody has their own special, private dream, but only a fortunate few like Booster Gold ever have them come true. Trouble is, with future cop Broderick in town on his tail, Booster might not live long enough to enjoy it! Written and pencilled by Dan Jurgens. Cover by Jurgens and Jerry Ordway.

Dr. Fate #1 mini-series—Part one of a four-part mini-series! The universe spins through cycles of light and darkness, and now that the Lords of Order have surrendered to the inevitable coming of their dark counterparts, the Lords of Chaos, it's doubtful that even the new Dr. Fate who arises to meet this crisis will be able to turn the tide! Written by J.M. DeMatteis, pencilled by Keith Giffen, and inked by Dave Hunt. Cover by Giffen. *Deluxe format.*

Green Lantern Corps #214—A special three-part tale begins, featuring two of the Corps' best and brightest, Salakk and Ch'p. Written by Steve Englehart, pencilled by guest-artist Ian Gibson, and inked by Mark Farmer. Cover by Gibson.

Infinity, Inc. #40—The words "peace and quiet" and "super-heroes" are seldom used together in the same sentence, and it's no exception this month for the Infinitors as the deadly menace of Thunderbolt strikes again! Written by Roy and Dann Thomas, pencilled by Vince Argondezzi, and inked by Tony DeZuniga. Cover by Argondezzi and DeZuniga. *Deluxe format.*

Adventures of Superman #430—Clark expects to make it home for Ma and Pa Kent's wedding anniversary in Smallville ... except the Teen Titans' deadliest foes, the Fearsome Five, seem to be determined to keep Superman too busy for even that all-important event! Written by Marv Wolfman, with art and cover by Jerry Ordway.

Shazam! The New Beginning #4—A Legends Spin-off! The final chapter in this history-making mini-series as the legend of Captain Marvel is explored, and the World's Mightiest Mortal has a showdown with his nemesis, Black Adam. Story by Roy and Dann Thomas, with art and cover by Tom Mandrake.

Swamp Thing #62—Swamp Thing's lonely journey through the cosmos continues as he and Metron of the New Gods go where few men (and fewer vegetables!) have gone before—to the edge of the universe to explore the absolute elsewhere! Written and pencilled by Rick Veitch, inked by Tom Yeates, and a cover by Steve Bissette. *New format.*

Warlord #119—Like the old saying says, "It never rains, it pours" ... and that's true even in Skartaris as guest-star Power Girl unleashes a deadly demon on a Skartaris that has gone mad with war fever, while Warlord must defeat the Kraken Pentacle! Written by Michael Fleisher, pencilled by Ron Randall, and inked by Pablo Marcos. Cover by Jerry Bingham.

On Sale April 21

Action Comics #590—The genius of Dr. Will Magnus created the awesome Metal Men ... but another kind of genius gave us the deadly menace of the new super-man of chemicals, Chemo! And it's going to take a minimum of the combined powers of Metal Men and Man of Steel to defeat it in this story written and laid out by John Byrne, with finished art by Dick Giordano. Cover by Byrne.

Captain Atom #5—There's only room for one nuclear-powered super-hero on this planet! At least that's what Firestorm has been thinking ever since Captain Atom made his atomic debut. Now that way of thinking becomes a deadly clash of nuclear men as the super-hero rivalry of the decade begins here with a battle you won't soon forget! Written by Cary Bates, pencils by Pat Broderick, and inks by Bob Smith. Cover by Broderick.

Detective Comics #576—Batman: Year Two (Part 2 of 4) takes us back with the Batman to his earlier days as Gotham's protector. See what happens when the Darknight Detective is confronted by the man responsible for his very existence! Story by Mike W. Barr, pencilled by Alan Davis, and inked by Paul Neary. Cover by Davis and Neary.

Hawkman #12—The Hawks have been away from Thanagar for a long time, but not so long that they expected to be faced with a Thanagarian race that considers them outsiders! Written by Dan Mishkin, pencilled by Richard Howell, and inked by Carlos Garzon. Cover by Howell.

MASK #6—Meet Jacana. The MASK Team just has, and none of them are the least bit certain who ... or what she is! You'll wonder too. Story by Michael Fleisher, with art and cover by Curt Swan and Kurt Schaffenberger.

Infinity, Inc. Special #1—The story continues (and concludes) here, from the pages of the earlier *Outsiders Special*, as the combined might of the Infinitors and the Outsiders is pitted against the mesmerizing power of the Psycho-Pirate. Written by Roy and Dann Thomas, pencilled by Vince Argondezzi, and inked by Tony DeZuniga. Cover by Eduardo Barreto.

The Spectre #4—Beauty may be only skin deep, but someone is trying to find the beauty the hard way as a rash of fashion model murders stuns New York. Meanwhile, Jim Corrigan and Kim dine out ... while the Spectre is busy haunting a house! Story by Doug Moench, pencils by Gene Colan, and inks by Steve Mitchell. Cover by José Luis García-López. *New format.*

Tales of the Legion of Super-Heroes #349—Who is Sensor Girl? Despite their great and varied powers, none of the Legionnaires are able to find out, and the mystery threatens to tear the 30th Century's mightiest team of heroes asunder! Written by Paul Levitz, pencilled by Greg LaRocque, and inked by Larry Mahlstedt. *Originally presented in Legion of Super-Heroes #24.*

Centurions #2—Revealed at last in a story you won't find on the hit syndicated TV show or anywhere else—the origins of the Centurions! Scripted by Bob Rozakis, with art by Don Heck and Al Vey.

On Sale April 28

Batman Annual #11—Two tales of action, adventure and ... love and the proper villain!?! First up, Clayface falls in love with a most unusual paramour, one capable of driving him even deeper into madness. So deep that he needs the Batman to save him in this tale by Alan Moore, with art by George Freeman. Plus! It's the Penguin's turn to find his "Love Bird," written by Max Allan Collins and pencilled by Norm Breyfogle. Cover by John Byrne.

Teen Titans Spotlight #12—Wonder Girl takes her place in the Spotlight this month as she has to travel deep into the jungles of South America to rescue her husband, Terry Long, from certain death! Written by Doug Moench, pencilled by Ernie Colón. Cover by Brozowski and Patterson.

The Question #6—Fathers and sons. Sometimes there's no greater love ... often there's no deeper hatred. Can The Question prevent one father from destroying his son, and another son from killing his father? Written by Dennis O'Neil, pencilled by Denys Cowan, and inked by Rick Magyar. Cover by Cowan and Sienkiewicz. *Deluxe format.*

'Mazing Man Special #1—He's Queens' New York greatest hero, he's cute, and he's back in this special one-shot to answer the burning questions of the day: Will Brenda and Eddie reach the hospital in time, or do they *really* want their baby born in the car? And speaking of cars, will K.P. destroy Guido's as he tries to teach her to drive? This and more (including *Who's Who*-type pages covering the whole 'Mazing family), in this very special Special brought to you by writer Bob Rozakis, penciller Stephen DeStefano, and inker Craig Boldman. The cover is by DeStefano and Karl Kesel.

Suicide Squad #3—Belle Reve Prison and G. Gordon Godfrey are under attack by Darkseid's evil minions from Apokolips, the Female Furies, and it's up to the Suicide Squad to see that the prison stays intact and its prisoners in place! Written by John Ostrander, pencilled by Luke McDonnell, and inked by Karl Kesel. Cover by McDonnell and Kesel.

GREEN ARROW: THE LONG-BOW HUNTERS

Get ready for a **GREEN ARROW** unlike any you've ever seen ... and considering the character's radical past, that's saying something!

Next month, Mike Grell returns to **GREEN ARROW** as both writer and artist of a brand-new mini-series presented in the beautiful Prestige Format (that's the same format as last year's **DARK KNIGHT** and **HISTORY OF THE DC UNIVERSE** mini-series). That alone should be worthy of a celebration, but to make the event even more special we have a surprise for you *this month*...

THE GREEN ARROW POSTER!

It's a large, full-color poster of the **Emerald Archer** in action, painted by Mike Grell! It's just a hint of the action and excitement to come and, like the fabulous **DARK KNIGHT POSTER** of several months past, it's the perfect complement to the mini-series it represents!

THE GREEN ARROW POSTER is a must for fans of **GREEN ARROW**. It won't be missed by anyone who appreciates the art of Mike Grell ... and that covers just about everybody!



Also News...

Everybody falls in love sooner or later—even villains!

And that's the theme of this year's **BATMAN ANNUAL #11**, featuring a double portion of romance and action!

First up, **CLAYFACE** is back and he's lost his heart to a real doll! Unfortunately, she's not the *living* kind, but one made of paint and plastic. But for its survival and safety, the malleable madman is willing to sacrifice himself along with hundreds of innocent people. How do you stop someone like that? Well, that's the question the **BATMAN** is asking ... and he must come up with an answer before the love bug drives **CLAYFACE** beyond the brink! This very strange and very special story is scripted by the master of the unusual, Alan Moore, and features art by George Freeman.

Then it's the **PENGUIN'S** turn to find his "Love Bird" in the person of the cuddly Dovina. Normally, the **BATMAN** would be delighted for his old foe's chance at happiness ... except nobody knows whether she's out to help him reform from his natural criminal tendencies or push him back into a life of crime! Max Allan Collins provides the story, with art by Norm Breyfogel. So don't miss these two tales of romance, all presented under a cover drawn lovingly by John Byrne.

It's the month of **'MAZING MAN!** Not only is everybody's favorite half-pint hero back in his first very own special (called—what else?—**'MAZING MAN SPECIAL #1**), but he's also appearing in the pages of **SECRET ORIGINS #16!**

The unique denizens of South Richmond Park,

New York haven't been standing still since last we saw them: Denton's got a new boss, Brenda and Eddie are expecting their baby any second, Guido's been talked into teaching K.P. how to drive ... and **MAZE** has gone and disappeared and that's a problem *all* the friends share! And don't worry if you're not up on all these good folks, because the **'MAZING MAN SPECIAL #1** also includes a "Who's Who" section on the entire cast! This 38-page bonanza of fun, friendship, and love is brought to you by writer Bob Rozakis, penciller Stephen DeStefano, and inker Craig Boldman.

And if you're as big a **'MAZING MAN** fan as we are, we bet you've often wondered just exactly who he is and how he came to be. Writer Rozakis and penciller DeStefano, along with inker Karl Kesel, know the entire story, and the three of them have gotten together to tell it! You can read all about it in **SECRET ORIGINS #16** (along with the secret, behind-the-scenes details of the origins of **TRAVIS MORGAN, THE WARLORD** by Michael Fleisher and Adam Kubert, and the Golden Age **HOURLMAN**, by the creative team of Roy Thomas, Mike Bair, and Mike Gustovich). But it's **'MAZING MAN** who owns this month, and it's you who gets the treats. But then, **MAZE** is just that kind of guy...

Animation's latest blockbuster sensation comes to life in the pages of its own monthly comic as **CENTURIONS #1** debuts this month! To kick off this dynamic new series, the creative team of writer Bob Rozakis, penciller Don Heck, and inker Al Vey show us what happens when the **CENTURIONS** team has only one hour to stop the evil Doc Terror from destroying Earth! Can they do it? Let's hope so ... otherwise *none* of us will be around for the intriguing second issue of **CENTURIONS** and we may never find out the fascinating origins of the team and their villainous opponents!

THE OUTSIDERS AND INFINITY INC... TOGETHER FOR THE FIRST TIME!

The action and excitement begin in the pages of **OUTSIDERS SPECIAL #1** early this month and doesn't stop until the closing pages of its stunning conclusion in the **INFINITY, INC. SPECIAL #1** two weeks later!

It's the first time these two super-teams have met, and it starts when **SKYMAN**, leader of the **INFINITORS**, mysteriously disappears! The search for him leads both to an unforgettable initial meeting of some of the world's greatest heroes ... and confrontations with a legion of villains, ranging from the master evil of the reborn **BARON BEDLAM** to the crazed patriotic fervor of **THE FORCE OF JULY**, and it won't cease until the mind-numbing power of the **PSYCHO-PIRATE** is brought to bear upon the unified heroes!

INFINITY, INC. writers Roy and Dann Thomas and **OUTSIDERS** scribe Mike W. Barr bring their combined talents to the plotting of this two-part tale. Then Mike joins with the artistic team of Chuck Patton and Bob Smith to create the unforgettable opening sequence. Following that, two weeks later (provided you can wait that long!) Roy and Dann team with **INFINITY** regular penciller Vince Argondezzi and inker Tony DeZuniga to bring the heroes into final battle with their assembled foes! Both issues feature covers by Eduardo Barreto ... and did we mention that each Mando format issue features 38 pages of story and art, making for an epic-length adventure you'll never forget!

THE OUTSIDERS and **INFINITY, INC.**—together for their first team-up!

Will it be their *last*?

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